A CLERK'S IDYL.

It was a pity that the elder Miss Danforth, sund and guardian of Miss Violet Danforth, me with an accident that kept her in the city during the summer.

Poor, dear lady, she was one of the meek sort who go through life in a state of chrenic apology, always so sorty to trouble one, always hoping, in a purring volce, that she did not intrude, and always willing to yield her own opinion in deference to that of others—which last quality was a great blessing to Miss Violet, who, from a natural gff of domination, which had thriven in her aunt's gentle acquiescence, was certainly, as far as her own conquests were concerned, omniscient. "A clerk was nothing, but in the dearth of or the time being. She decided to "improve the shining hour," much as a hunter, failing to shay deer, would deign to chase lesser game. She began to go to the shop quite regularly—seldom to his counter—but always in coming or going, there was for him the wondrous glance, the half-unconscious bow, the kindly salutations that a gracious queen might give an untitled subject, who should bend the knee in obeisance. It was not much, but it was something to comfort her admirer; something of brightness shed about her pathway. Will-o'the-wisp that it might be have her own way in all things.

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Any ordinary mortal would have been ows to him, Any ordinary mortal would have been exceedingly sorry to break up the plans of a young lady as fond of summering as Miss Violet Danforth. Much more than ordinarily did good Aunt Danforth mourn. At stated intervals she would ejaculate, "I Arrived there she sat down on a bench would be a large to the carry with the only other coon."

Arrived there she sat down on a bench her manner "Now don't be angry with the real of the re

recatory, was extracted in a prone state, and immediately announced in an apolo-chat,

the city in summer; all these forsaken houses and gardens seem ours by a sort of

way, Auntie, even if we haven't had it in-closed in a gold box, like Miss Burdett-Courts. But I know just how it's going have you been here all the summer?" Violet tried her hand at a little transient flirtation with the doctor attending her ount, but he had many disqualifications. He was not handsome, he was quite deaf, hand to him said: jury, cooly remarked, "Dress too long, ocean.

fell like spent rockets into a pool of water. | came he conducted her to it. The days went on, the long, warm, Emeritus. No more callers came. The life was pleasant enough in itself, Violet admitted, but it was a monotone, simple and undeviating, and she was longing for the capricious chase of a fugue. In this "No," said V

Arrayed in white, with a white shade-hat tied over her head, from the curved edges of which her face looked in almo t infantine grace, what a charm there was

Newly arrived in this country, he thought ter she had been left at her own door, he counter so near his own. Gloves, hand- idol in its shrine, before which he laid as adornments were tossed over carelessly, blest within him. Evidently she was not easily suited-but Princess's pleasures patiently. Finally a dainty selection was made. As she moved away, she turned her eyes dreamily, seriously, fixedly upon his own. That was should be pleased to have you call," and

Violet Danforth's piece de resistance, upon hearing his gratified assent, she raised the which she fell back after the garnishments had been disposed of. had been disposed of.

Now be it understood that she never allowed herself to glance often at the face of any one with whom she might be conversing. It was always after one had longed to have the blue-gray eyes meet his own more so was she now. As a gem loses not and give up longing in despair, that she by its setting, so she in her own home, and give up longing in despair, that she would slowly—always slowly, and as if the lids did not obey her quickly—turn and let her eyes rest on him, as if it were a rest. No one could tell if she knew on what or whom her eyes were fixed; it were presumption to think that glance intended for him for his own sake; there was neither kinship nor recognition in it to offend the most fastidious, but it never failed curiously to stir him on whom it fell. It was as if she heard ansis from the must go had the waspish sting plucked from it by an invitation to and warmly and earnestly accepted.

another sphere than ours, or that she saw something afar off and mysterious, had ripened into intimacy. There were for which from you she sought explana- walks, and drives, and church-goings to-

glad flush passed over him as he heard quite time that Violet knew, of what was "Miss." Yet he would have blushed again at his own presumption had he allowed himself to dwell on the possibility implied in, as some one has expressed it,

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Mr. Parton, in his lecture on the "The

knight to this feir lady. In imagination, he continually rescued her from "perils by land and perils by sea;" delivered her from ancient dragons and modern mad dogs, yes, at the risk of his own life; but, in reality, could only stand behind his counter, dumb and powerless as one in a dream, without ability to reach forth hand or voice to his loved one.

uldn't if I could have helped it, dear," looking oceanward, the only other occu- her manner. "Now don't be angry with wouldn't if I could have helped it, dear," until the refrain became monotonous and Miss Violet responded, not without a shade of acerbity, and as if it had been her verse in an antiphonal chant, "And who would, if they could have helped it?"

It was in this wise that the accident happened: Aunt Danforth, being a notable housekeeper, had mounted the step-ladder, which, being infirm and uncertain of purpose, gave way and fell into chaotic ruin, from which Miss Danforth, as usual deprecatory, was extracted in a prone state, and immediately announced in an apolo-metic and immediately announced in an apolo-metic accompanied by an audible that the gas-light, and there was something so genuine in his air of joyful recognition that Violet presently began a little temporary chitchat,

looking oceanward, the only other occupant a count of which was a gentleman. By rare chance, that gentleman proved to be Mr. Arthur Edward Sterry, who had taken this for an "off day." The young lady slowly turned her beautiful eyes towards him, and gave him a reserved bow, accompanied by an audible "Good morning." He blushed, fair-skinned Saxon that he was, with pleasure, and there was something so genuine in his air of joyful recognition that Violet presently began a little temporary chitchat,

"I am not angry," he replied. And that was his farewell.

"Auntie," said Violet, as she went in as usual to bid her good-night—and as she spoke she turned up the gas-light, and looked in the glass at her own face in various positions before she continued her narrative—"Auntie, do you know that that the accident happened: "Auntie," said Violet, as the remanner. "Now don't be angry with me, the occupant her manner. "I own of the manner." I own of the manner. "I own of the manner." I own of the manner. "I own of the manner." I own of the manner. "I own of the manner." I own of the manner. "I own of the manner." I own of the manner. "I own of the manner." I own of the manner. "I own of the manner." I own of the manner. "I own of the manner." I own of t

and immediately announced in an apologetic manner—
"My limbs are broken, I am sure. I would not have made so much trouble, it I could have helped it."

Let us give all due credit in the little account that we shall keep with Miss Violet. She might have left her aunt to the care of the hirelings and strangers. She could have delegated the anxious days and watchful nights to others. But she did not. Faithfully and lovingly she attended the New England coast. They sought

"Oh, Violet!—but you told him—"
"Oh, yes, I told him—and now, as we go so early to-morrow, I will say good-inght, auntic dear."
They were so absorbed in conversation that they did not notice a heavy shower coming up until it descended upon them. The carriages had been ordered back to stables of the "Sea Bay House." Mr. Sterry, however, being an Englishman, produced the inevitable umbrella, under which, at a brisk run, they reached the House, which was one of the pert, secondaries to go to the store where Mr. Sterry was employed. But she did not see him, nor did she ever see him again.

Two years after, she and her husband not. Faithfully and lovingly she attended the New England coast, They sought miss Danforth, and lovingly and grate-refuge in the parfor, into which the land Miss Danforth, and lovingly and grate-fully the service was received. The occu-pation suited her. It was the first time in Sterry, asked, in the exuberant kindness ing of manner as he was ugly of counte-

his wife, and imparted to her that he had, as it were, "kinder provoked the handshore and mountains," she began to feel her loneliness.

"I think, though, after all." she said one day to her aunt, "that I rather enjoy one day to her aunt, "that I rather enjoy one day to her aunt, "that I rather enjoy had one day to her aunt, "that I rather enjoy one day to her aunt, "that I rather enjoy had not be said to fire in the fire without destroying the workers. But in the fill in love, do you know, with a street of the hand, as it were, "kinder provoked the hand-tually served as shop-man, you know, in a city in New England, I think you call it; from the fire without destroying the workers. But in the end of three hours the slope feel in love, do you know, with a street of the hand-tually served as shop-man, you know, in a city in New England, I think you call it; from the fire without destroying the will use the said that the search that his connecting gangway, while every effort was used to cut off air from the fire without destroying the very effort was used to cut off air from the fire without destroying the very effort was used to cut off air from the fire without destroying the very effort was used to cut off air from the fire without destroying the very effort was used to cut off air from the fire without destroying the very effort was used to cut off air from the fire without destroying the very effort was used to cut off air from the fire without destroying the very effort was used to cut off air from the fire without destroying the very effort was used to cut off air from the fire without destroying the very effort was used to cut off air from the fire with its connection. "I think, though, after all." she said one day to her aunt, "that I rather enjoy the city in summer; all these forsaken houses and gardens seem ours by a sort of the city and being a kind soul, with a pendulum—and being a kind soul, with a pendulum tender reminiscences of his own courting being he ever saw; she invited him to call

> Poor Mr. Sterry knew not what to do. way; and there was something about At last, not without misgiving as to meeting at some beach in the rain, and the whether he was not making the matter worse, he ventured to say:
> "I cannot tell you how deeply I regret the annoyance to which you have been

Equally to his surprise as joy, Violet see?"
turned from the window, her long eye-"Never mind."

far too busy; he never noticed when she had on her white dress; indeed once, bar-barian that he was, he stepped upon and silence followed, during which they gazed tore the lower frill, and discovering the in-jury, cooly remarked, "Dress too long, ocean. Happily for them, other people wasn't it?". If she gave him a rose, he was now entered. Shortly after, the clouds quite sure to put it on a table and forget rolled away, the sun came out suddenly, it. And above all, he loved his own wife and Violet said that she would trouble Mr. sincerely, and Violet's innocent witcheries Sterry to order her carriage. When it

As she was about to enter, she said in a "Perhaps you will drive back to town

He hesitated and began, "I fear that I "No," said Violet, and pointed to the seat beside her. To say that he thoroughly enjoyed the

in her very simplicity !-what artlessness! an unusual beauty, while all nature sang she went—the "Stewart's" of the city—a certain Englishman walted upon her. Newly arrived in this construction is a large shop where the spires of the town appeared far too soon, and declining Violet's offer to have the coachman take him to his location. a Laudamus. And he joined in spirit.

form, all entranced him. Diagnosis would something actual and tangible when they have clearly revealed a case of love at first broke in on his train of thought. Sweet sight, a companied by aggravated symp- possibilities walked hand in hand with He could scarcely trust himself to more sober probabilities in shadowy prolook at the delicate face bent over the cossion, and at the end of the vista was the

kerchiefs, laces, all the little feminine votive offerings, all that was best and no-The next day Miss Danforth sought the no shadow of displeasure crossed him, It shop on some idle pretext, and lingered was but right that he should wait his long over the counter strewn with small

He came that very evening. Vielet re-

It was as if she heard music from So passed days into weeks, until, by tion.

It may be taken for granted that Mr.

Arthur Edward Sterry was not slow to ascertain her name and residence, and a quick of his love, but he was sure, and it was

"Tell me why not, dear Miss Violet," he said at last. Placing her little hand on his, turning

flusic for Nevember.

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or voice to his loved one.

Now Violet was by no means unaware, as might have been expected, of the interest she had awakened. She was certainly, as far as her own conquests were concerned convisiont. "But you do not love him?" said Mr

"Oh, Violet!-but you told him-"
"Oh, yes, I told him-and now, as we go so early to-morrow, I will say good-

Two years after, she and her husband days, these oscillations were accompanied and used to receive him alone—no parents, by sharp twinges of regret. meeting at some beach in the rain, and the landlord thinking her 'Sterry's sweet heart,' and so on—well, by and by he offered himself—and, do you know, she

told him that she was soon to be married to some one else! Hal ha! ha! -d'ye Violet's pink cheeks were suffused with ask. Fortunately her husband laughingly

At last, after ten years of continuous effort, in 1873, an amendment was passed and became the law. It was weaker than the one of the preceding session, and, ex-cept in the requirement of a long term of residence to qualify an applicant to come Newly arrived in this country, he thought this a veritable Princess of the land. Her self-possession, the consciousness—in nowise akin to vanity—of her beauty, the repose which shaded into languor, the refinement of voice and manner, her exceeding beauty of face and manner, her exce

is no contest. Very often there is no no-tice of the pendency of the case to the de-fendant. The law requires actual notice "by reading or leaving a copy of the sum-mons at the defendant's place of residence, f a resident of the State," says the law. But we know of one very recent case in which a wife was divorced with no knowl-edge at all, she said, of the pendency of ne complaint, and while her husband was living with her up to the very hour that he brought her a notice of the decree Her first information of the case was that he was no longer a wife, and the next day he was shipped to Louisville to seek her ld home, with her worse than fatherless children, while her astute husband, aided by the defective law, was left to seek a new wife and the chance of a fresh divorce when he got tired of her. Now, a statute under which such things as this can be done needs amending. It betters the old law not at all. Divorces can be obtained as easily and apparently as secretly as when "constructive notice" was allowed its widest range,—Indianapolis Journal.

AT a meeting held recently for the pur-

A COAL-MINE ON FIRE.

How it Was Quenched by the Use of Steam After Nearly a Year's Effort.

[Correspondence New York Herald.]

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The Case of Udderzook. WEST PITTSTON, PA., Nov. 1 .- The fire in the daily papers, drew more of less in the daily papers, drew more of less attention in the early part of the year) is at last conquered. The agent which has gained the victory, after months of valiant, persistent battle with the flames, bringing into play almost every resource of engine into play almost every resource of engine of the store was burned down, and among the smoldering ruins the body of a man was found, charred, but yet retaining sufficient marks of person as to be faintly recognized as Goss. There was nothing positive as to the identification, but the remains in the "burning mine" (reference to which, "Mr. Sterry, I have done wrong-not in the daily papers, drew more or less forth takes its place as the fire-destroyer, whenever that most to-be-dreaded foe enters the mines. The employment of steam, by the Lehigh and Wilkesbarre Coal Company, in extinguishing the Empire Mine fire has proved a success, which must be of incalculable value, not alone in Pennsylvania, but in mining districts every where. The name of the foreman of the Empire Mine, Lewis S. Jones, through whose sagacious and persistent endeavors the trial by steam was made, is certainly worthy of record and remembrance.

Seeking information on this and some matters of kindred interest, your corres-pondent was referred by the President of the Company to its Assistant Superintendent, on whom had chiefly devolved the daily supervision and practical carrying out of all efforts to save the mine. "It is mpossible to enter the scene of the late fire," was the answer to my first query, "as it is entirely walled up and filled with steam; but I think that with the aid of our maps I can explain to you all you wish to photographs of Goss as the likeness of to know.

On the hillside, perhaps a mile from from which mines, now abandoned, were and concealment of an unknown man! and concealment of an unknown man! up-cast for purposes of ventilation in connection with boilers below. These boilers were placed near the head of Empire slope

No. 5. which leads still forth and unknown man!

For this murder of Goss, Udderzook has been tried and condemned to be executed, and will probably suffer the penalty of the law as the Connection. No. 5, which leads still further down into interpose the executive elemency. the slope stood a wooden stack which, at 1 a. m. on the 31st of last December, was discovered to be in flames, doubtless carried up to it almost instantaneously from the originating at the bellow. from fire originating at the boilers. open spaces on each side of the slope had been walled up with stone, but with doorways for occasional necessary en-trance to the old workings; and the fire had communicated at once through these doors with the timber supports, stretching in all directions through the abandoned chambers. So that, although officers and men were promptly on the spot, they were met at the first by a torrent of flame like that which the lake winds swept over pation suited her. It was the first time in all her young life that she had ever had any real responsibility. And she enjoyed the property and prope his wife, and imparted to her that he had, fit of illtemper ran off to America, and accest shaft with its connecting gangway, shatting the fire in from above and disabiling the boiler-pipe below. A steam pump worked from the mine engine was speedily substituted, but a few hours made and with a bloody knife in his hand; yet he was innocent. A trampser had entered the room of the victim to with a plan in vogue in most Catholic particular by the pump worked from the mine engine was speedily substituted, but a few hours made had gone up for the purpose of robbery. it evident that the campaign needful for subduing the fire was to be both prolong-

ed and dangerous. Plans were rapidly

fire in its present stronghold, but of headlashes moist with unshed tears, her color deep ending as she spoke, and reaching her hand to him said:

Who deep spink cheeks were simised with a lashes moist with unshed tears, her color deep peony color. She longed to know ing it off in all directions to prevent its main a small tavern in a seaper town, and during the night Guinnet's bed-fellow may way with other workings. From above a slope was to be driven "And what became of him?"

"Well, then," continued the Briton, "just after his refusal, he got word of his father's illness, and off he went at once to father and the surface.

"Jor time. He induced members of the house and was immediately seized upon by the pressing the partially dressed minister, went of the house and was immediately seized upon by the pressing the partially dressed minister, went of the house and was immediately seized upon by the pressing parish to indorse notes for large this parish to indorse notes for large the his parish to indorse notes for large the house and was immediately seized upon by the pression of the house and was immediately seized upon by the pression of the house and was immediately seized upon by the pression of the house and was immediately seized upon by the pression of the house and was immediately seized upon by the pression of the house and was immediately seized upon by the pression of the house and was immediately seized upon by the pression of the house and was immediately seized upon by the pression of the house and was immediately seized upon by the pression of the house and was immediately seized upon by the pression of the house and was immediately seized upon by the pression of the house and was immediately seized upon by the pression of the house and was immediately seized upon by the pression of the house and was immediately seized upon by the pression of the house and was immediately seized upon by the pression of the house and was immediately seized upon by the pression of the house and was immediately seized upon by the pression of the house and was immediately seized upon by the pression of the house and was immediately seized upon by the pression of the house and England, It's just my impression that he was too much of a man to grieve for a girl was taken and gasses that the men might tenter, was taken on board this is manner he appropriated to his som and the mortar in the such that he most on the such that the most of the possession, and the blood of the was given, on account of the power skiblood, the absent man's money and watch were found, as it were, in his experiences in America. He used to turn his cut was necessary to cross the slope. Which, as it so happened, immediate to sit is such the knows as old, and the mortar in the such that he most on the evening, no sooner, was the slope was given, on account of the power skiblood, the absent man's money and watch were found, as it were, in his exers slowly toward me and say, '0h, Mr. Sterry' you might to was necessary to cross the slope and watch were found, as it were, in his exers slowly toward me and say, '0h, Mr. Sterry' you might to would be ornamented with a snake's should be ornamented with a snake's should be ornamented with a snake good axes, seythes, and wheth were found, as it were, in his sousces on Morris Square, oppo England. It's just my impression that he back smoke and gasses that the men might outside portions of the pillars, which fell, keeping the masses of glowing coal perpetually supplied. These "manways" could be held only by turning water could be a supplied by the could be a supplied petually supplied. These manways could be held only by turning water continually upon them, the lower end of the planks being often on fire before the upper planks being often often of the upper planks being often on fire before the upper pla man worked in heat ranging from 160 degrees, and, as the black

An Indian in the Detroit Police Court. ful sight, men and women weeping and specified sight, men and women weeping and wailing their loss, and threatening him the China Sea, on board the English steam-

and gases with it.

The severe winter rendered the campaign number; now there is nothing more arduous. Heavy machinery, and all your tribe but yourself, two old army the humber and stone needed for manways blankets, and a shot-gun with the lock and supports, and, later, for walls, were out of repair. Son of the forest, why is to be brought over mountain roads and this thing thus, and what do you mean by carried into the mine. All waters that had been available from outside were frozen getting drunk?" solid for three weeks; and the mine-water, which are out the machinery with fearful rapidity,—the hose not bearing it more nan one or two days, -had to be depended | toon. upon, and used over some times thrice.
But probably the heaviest work of the officers through all the time was the organizing, drilling, and especially the inspiriting of the men in the face of their tears in his eyes when he looks to the West fearful foe.

for about 200 feet, had been securely in closed, and the end seemed near, when his lonesome howl on the spot where stood sound and sign gave token that the roof our big village. I am sad. of the old workings to the west was about to fall. This had been so provided for as to insure its coming quietly, but the men, fearing the concussion of air which results from violent falls, and which drives even ing." loaded cars like playthings before it out of the mines, refused to remain. were stationed at safe distances, but the fall came so gently that they were una-ware of it. On March I the officers found that it was over, but, while the men were

was cold. The steam, however, will be kept confined until the first of January

The Case of Udderzook. were those of the store-keeper. Inquiries were made by the insurance companies, for Goss had several policies for several thousand dollars. The day before the fire Goss had drawn out all his bank deposits, a fact which looks suspicious, and the insurance companies required further time to settle. Udderzook now makes his appearance. A short time after the fire Udderzook visited a small town in Pennsylvania, near the Maryland line, where he met a friend. They rode off together in a buggy, but Udderzook returned to the town alone and explained that he had left his associate at the railway station. A week or so afterwards a gathering of crows in a retired spot attracted the attention of some country people, who found the skeleton of a man upon which the feathered scavengers had been feeding. There was a single gar-ment with the body, which, with a ring found in the buggy, has been identified as belonging to Goss. Persons have sworn the man who went out with Udderzook in the buggy, while others have testified that where we stood, was the mouth of a slope Udderzook proposed to them the murder

have been hanged on circumstantial evi-dence even stronger than this. his own house and with a bloody knife in of Ambrose Guinnet, He slept with a

"The white chief has spoken many wise words," replied the Indian in measured tones, resting one foot on the side of a spittoon. "My race has fallen like the leaves At the close of February the fire, save camp fires. Our great chieftans have fallen,

## THF WICKED FLEA.

'A flea is more to be dreaded than a mosquito The kettle on the hob; The bard sings to his tabor, The workman at his job.

The bullet sings while flying,
The gnat sings on the wing;
The swan cings when it's dying
(Though that's a doubtful thing),
The cricket sings while hopping.
The bird sings without stopping.
The wind sings without stopping.

A PRIEST ELOPES.

PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 6,-The very large Catholic element in this city was thrown into a state of great excitement this morning by the announcement of the fact that the Rev. Father John W. Gerdeman, pastor of St. Bonifacius Roman Catholic Caurch, in the northern part of the city, had suddenly left for parts unknown, taking with him a beautiful young lady, Miss Witting, who had previously acted in the capacity of organist in this church. The

facts made public are very meager, but a personal acquaintance of the parties con-cerned furnishes the following particulars of the affair: Some time since Father Gerdeman in-duced this young lady to leave the church over which the Rev. Father O'Neil pre-

sides, and come to his church, offering a good salary. The young lady accepted, and the Father being a very fine musician himself, spent considerable time in her company. An intimacy sprang up be-tween the two, which soon ripened into the warmest friendship, and the sequence was a declaration of love on the part of the young lady for the gentleman of the the consequences would be. The tender feelings were reciprocated by the Father, and when conversing with his brother priests he would continually dilate upon the great ability of his lady organist, and speak of her with more than ordinary consideration. Time passed on, and the intimacy became so great that the young lady would spend the evening at the residence of the priest, and oftentimes did not leave his abode until midnight, and then in his company. Her visits to the parsonage became so frequent as to cause considerable uneasiness to Father Gerdeman's sister, who acted as housekeeper for the Father and his two assistants. The conduct of the brother and the lady organist was so bad certain articles as that of Goss, would en- as to disgust her, and the sister returned title his widow to the policies. In this conspiracy the wife of Goss is included. It Finally matters went so far, and the two is then supposed that, in consequeuce of the refusal of the companies to pay, a disagreement arose between the men, and that in order to prevent detection by a relenting purpose on the part of Goss and his wife, that Udderzook determined to sistant knew too much for the loving constitutions. became so bold, that one of the assistants murder him. Udderzook also may have sistant knew too much for the loving cousupposed that Goss carried on his person a part or all the money which he had drawn from the banks. The theory of the prisoner is that Goss perished in his store,

time there have been no tidings concerning him. This little love affair and fall Jonathan Bradford, an inn-keeper, was from grace on the part of the reverend found standing over a murdered man in gentleman did not constitute all his crime, his own house and with a bloody knife in for now the most painful portion of the had gone up for the purpose of robbery. His ascending footsteps had alarmed the assassin, who secreted himself, and when Bradford entered the traveler's room the in close confidence with Bishop Wood, and ed and dangerous. Plans were rapidly isid and promptly carried out to save the character gave the alarm, and the character gave the alarm, and the innocent inn-keeper with a guilty purpose way by which the boilers were reached, as to lose this way into the mine was to lose this way into the mine was to lose all. And the enormous work was then before them of not only conquering the before them of not only conquering the data of Ambress Guinnet. He slept with a shepherd of a large flock, like the one in shepherd of a large flock floc the present case. Gerdeman privately made his puts and calls in the stock room. was suddenly taken with a bleeding at his nose. He partially dressed himself, went out of the house and was immeto seize upon any one and impress him for this manner he appropriated to his own

intrusted to his keeping. It was a sorrow-

and no longer sees the smoke of many that would otherwise infest the building. Large windows are placed on the south, and doors under the windows open to a

Scene at a Millionaire's Death.

Kings of Business," says he once heard from the lips of William J. Duane, Stephen Girard's lawyer, a description of the scene that occurred in Girard's house after his death. Mr. Duane was executor, being in charge of the property. As soon as the breath was certainly known to be out of the old man's body, and Mr. Duane had closed his eyes, it seemed as if the spell had been suddenly dissolved, and the numerous nephews and nieces and their descendants, who never before had stood in Girard's presence but with tear and awe the savages—and it did. trembling, burst into exultation. A firece of them were far gone in intoxication be "Yes," replied the junior, without a mofore the body was cold. Older men rammaged the rooms; women searched the closets and drawers. The whole house was a scene of wild riot. They behaved, in fact, like a select party of vultures, which, from a safe distance, have followed sisted on hearing it read then with such infuriate clamor that Mr. Duane, knowing how the will would avenge his client and rebuke this inhuman indecency, consented at length to read it, and it was read. "When I had opened the will," said Mr. document at the company seated before me. It was a sight never to be forgotten. There was a ghastly pallor on every face, and a certain look of mingled curiosity, greediness, and jealousy, which I am sure have done justice to. Years have gone by and I can see it still," The little bequests

tleman.

He had hardly settled his family in their The farmer new quarters before they had a practical demonstration that there were occupants there before them, who evidently looked the mechanic, nor work more hours; and upon the new-comers as intruders, and he will be able to find as much leisure time

striped garter-snakes.

The first night in the house there was a meetings, and enough them. With the great rustling on the floor like the pattering of myriads of mice, but it wasn't mice same capital, the same good management, that made the noise; it was the sound from

dozens of snakes as they dragged them-selves across the floor. Delightful! In the morning Mr. A. used to get up, slaughter half a dozen in the morning. The second and third days were worse than the first. At breakfast one morning Mr. A felt something crawling up his leg, ful little striped fellow working his way up in the world. Another time he found

# Outrage by thinese Pirates.

The English newspapers contain details A poultry writer who, "during the last six or eight years has raised nearly all the leading varieties of ducks in very limited accommodations," informs us that he has proved by experience that a tub or pail kept full of water is as good as a stream or pond. He has won numberless prizes upon ducks which had never been in water since they were hatched; has tried ground, brick and plank floors, and finds that the two former bring on paralysis, rheumatism and many other complaints. The floor of his duck-house is of inch plank, raised one foot or more from the ground of the murderers. Portuguese and Chiraised one foot or more from the ground of the murderers. Portuguese and Chion stone piers. This prevents dampness, and also enables a terrier to clean out rats them.

The only perfect distriction is next to that is a dry heat of 250 degrees.

Regularity of Habits. small run or waddle. In winter the floor Among all the preventives of illness, a pound under the name of sulpha e of is covered with a bin bedding of hay; in summer with sawdost, which absorbing all odors keeps the air sweet and pure. When the bedding becomes foul it is swept out and the floor washed with hot water. The man or woman who is not regularly to be used as often as necessary to render all odors imperceptible, acting at the same time as antiseptic deodorizer and disinfecting. The man or woman who is not regularly to be used as often as necessary to render all odors imperceptible, acting at the same time as antiseptic deodorizer and disinfections. He has found that oats produce a larger number of eggs in any other grain. They should be fed in a pail of water, the neglect of one of Nature's inviolable laws. exercise given the duck by feeding in this are way keeping them in perfect health. The eight, another at six, and then at ten or first food for duck engs should be the yelk eleven—for if one does his digestive or-of a hard boiled egg, and when a week old gans will soon be out of order, and serious

## PUNGENT PARAGRAPHS.

HONORE'D-Fred. "LECTURESS" is next. A FIRESIDE tail-The cat's. Wно can speak all languages?—Echo.

TRANCE-ACTION-Walking in one's sleep. MISS WHEAT, of Alabama, has just een married to Mr. Timothy, of Georgia. "Ir you don't choose it, cheese it," is the way a Uniontown dairyman talked when he offered a maid that hand of his. She chose it.

Young women should beware of marrying an accountant. If they do so they take an adder to their bosom.

ONE of our physicians recently gave a patient so much iron that he soon began

to steal. Agents are still asking for aid for "grasshopper sufferers." If grasshoppers are suffering after eating balf the Minnesota wheat crop, we for one say, let 'em

Trnnyson is said to be at work upon something for Mrs. Edinburgh's baby. It

begins, 'tis said : "Oh, toothless, hairless, royal babe, About thee all the Russians rave." HON. SIR HERCULES GEORGE ROBERT

HOWARD ROBINSON was sent by the Brit-

ish Government to annex the Fiji Islands, under the belief that his name would over-A PROFESSIONAL man not far from State joy shone in every face. The younger street, Boston, returning to his ounger day, after a substantial lunch, said commen rushed down into the cellar and placently to his assistant: "Mr. Pitkin, wine, hourded there for years, of which the world looks differently to a man they had never been invited to taste. Some when he has three inches of rum in him."

### Success in Farming.

Success in farming, as in all other deand watched a sick buffalo, and when at last the monarch of the prairie droops, lies down, and falls over upon his side a dead robes. She told a friend that she was determined to have Father Gerdeman as her husband, and that she did not care what foul bird glaring hate upon the rest, and than in the carpenter-shop, the blackdevouring with his vulture eyes the whole carcass. When they had raged all over chanical employment. The merchant and carcass. When they had raged all over the house, they came in a body to Mr. Duane, and demanded to know if there was a will. There was. He had drawn it himself two years before. It was in the iron safe in the room where the dead was a farmer, driving my own team day after day, and also some years in mersafe in the room where the dead man lay.
Upon hearing this, a frenzy of desire siezed them to know its contents; and they inpeared impossible to avoid overwork. The boy who is worth anything to work will not be liable to find an easy place to work in the village or the city, and one who does not like to work will not be very successful in finding a place at all. Young Duane to me, "and was about to begin to men get \$25 per month in our village read, I chanced to look over the top of the stores and board themselves, while the same boys could get \$20 and board for no harder work on the farm; but then they might now and then soil their hands with the hoe, or their boots in taking care of the team or milking the cows. And yet the greatest artist that ever lived could not our farmer-boys are anxious to leave the farm. The man who succeeds in business and I can see it still." The little bequests is no laggard, but must be up and doing, given to the relatives were swallowed up. He may not work so many hours a day as n litigation, and they gave themselves up the farmer, but as a general thing it is more to impolite expressions about the old gen-tleman. wearing on the system. Some business men do more work, and continue it more hours, than is prudent, and the same is

these old settlers were snakes! The little striped garter-snakes.

for reading and study, but he has less opportunity to attend lectures and public

and the same industry, I am satisfied that, for a series of years, farming will be found more profitable than manufacturing, and good steady farm hands will have more money at the end of the year than those in other departments of manual labor. I do shake the reptiles out of his ciothes, grasp a pitchfork, and pitch the slimy devils out of doors. It was no uncommon thing to the farm, but to show that, in point of money-making, nothing is gained by leavand, glancing downward, found a beauti-ful little striped fellow working his way his best suit of clothes to go to market a 3-foot fellow in his overcoat pocket, who with a load of hay or potatoes, had better be put in a dry-goods store at once, for he is too nice ever to make a good farmer. The nuisance became intolerable, The There is no royal road to success, and it

Mr. A.'s farm now .- Litchfield (Minn.) have turned out no perfect specimens; and to-day our best farmers are practical, observing men-not men of broad science, In this we have some encouragement, for t is just what makes our best cultivators. -Cucago Tribune.

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The only perfect disinfectant is habitual

The most common and availing disin-fectant and deodorizer is copperas, crude copperas sold by druggists at a few cents

## A Spider in the Stomach.

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